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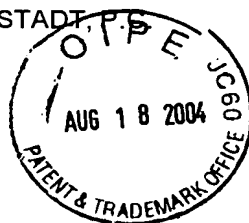
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## NOTICE OF OMITTED ITEM(S) IN A NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

## FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

A filing date has been accorded to the above-identified nonprovisional application papers; however, the following item(s) appear to have been omitted from the application:

- Page(s) 31-37 of the specification (description and claims).

I. Should applicant contend that the above-noted omitted item(s) was in fact deposited in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) with the nonprovisional application papers, a copy of this Notice and a petition (and \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h))) with evidence of such deposit **must** be filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice. The petition fee will be refunded if it is determined that the item(s) was received by the USPTO.

II. Should applicant desire to supply the omitted item(s) and accept the date that such omitted item(s) was filed in the USPTO as the filing date of the above-identified application, a copy of this Notice, the omitted item(s) (with a supplemental oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 and 1.64 referring to such items), and a petition under 37 CFR 1.182 (with the \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h))) requesting the later filing date **must** be filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice.

Applicant is advised that generally the filing fee required for an application is the filing fee in effect on the filing date accorded the application and that payment of the requisite basic filing fee on a date later than the filing date of the application requires payment of a surcharge (37 CFR 1.16(e)). To avoid processing delays and payment of a surcharge, applicant should submit any balance due for the requisite filing fee based on the later filing date being requested when submitting the omitted item(s) and the petition (and petition fee) requesting the later filing date.

III. The failure to file a petition (and petition fee) under the above options (I) or (II) within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice (37 CFR 1.181(f)) will be treated as a constructive acceptance by the applicant of the application as deposited in the USPTO. **THIS TWO MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b).** In the absence of a timely filed petition in reply to this Notice, the application will maintain a filing date as of the date of deposit of the application papers in the USPTO, and original application papers (i.e., the original disclosure of the invention) will include only those application papers present in the USPTO on the date of deposit.

In the event that applicant elects not to take action pursuant to options (I) or (II) above (thereby constructively electing option (III)), amendment of the specification to renumber the pages consecutively and cancel incomplete sentences caused by any omitted page(s), and/or amendment of the specification to cancel all references to any omitted drawing(s), relabel the drawing figures to be numbered consecutively (if necessary), and correct the

references in the specification to the drawing figures to correspond with any relabeled drawing figures, is required. A copy of the drawing figures showing the proposed changes in red ink should accompany with any drawing changes. Such amendment and/or correction to the drawing figures, if necessary, should be by way of preliminary amendment submitted prior to the first Office action to avoid delays in the prosecution of the application.

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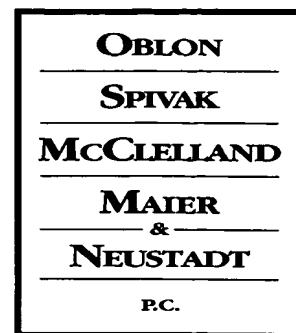
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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE



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PARTS OF AN APPLICATION**

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Re: Inventor: Akira IGARASHI, et al.  
Serial No: 10/823,609  
Filed: April 14, 2004  
For: CATALYSTS FOR WATER GAS SHIFT REACTION, METHOD FOR  
REMOVING CARBON MONOXIDE IN HYDROGEN GAS AND  
FUEL CELL GENERATION SYSTEM

SIR:


Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

NOTICE OF OMITTED ITEMS(S) IN A NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION; PETITION TO THE  
COMMISSION UNDER 37 CFR §1.182 (f) and §1.53 (e)(2); ATTACHMENTS (PAGES 31-37, AND A COPY OF THE  
DATE-STAMPED FILING RECEIPT OF April 14, 2004)

Our credit card payment form in the amount of \$130.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event that any  
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any fees required under 37 CFR 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents  
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timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate of this sheet  
is enclosed.

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In the matter of the Application of: Akira IGARASHI, et al.

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GENERATION SYSTEM

**Due Date: April 14, 2004**

The following has been received in the U.S. Patent Office on the date stamped hereon

- 41 pp. Specification 12 Claims/Drawings 7 Sheets and  
3 Pages Application Data Sheet
- Combined Declaration, Petition & Power of Attorney 4 Pages
- Utility Patent Application Transmittal
- Advanced Serial Number Postcard
- Request for Priority
- Check for \$770.00
- Dep. Acct. Order Form
- Fee Transmittal Form
- Preliminary Amendment
- Information Disclosure Statement
- PTO-1449
- Cited References (26)
- Search Reports
  - European Search Report
  - Patent Office Communication – China
  - International Search Report (June 13, 2000)
  - International Search Report (Aug. 15, 2000)
  - Japanese Search Report ( Apr. 17, 2001)

